

[5th September 1928]

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) The Government are informed that both coaching and practical training are provided at Edinburgh.

### Public Health

*Estimates for the Ahobilam protected water-supply scheme.*

\* 154 Q.—MR. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the estimates for the Ahobilam protected water scheme in the Kurnool district have been worked out and sanctioned; and

(b) when the work is likely to be begun?

A.—(a) No.

(b) A report has been called for from the President, District Board, Kurnool.

*Selection of candidates for Municipal Health Officers' posts.*

\* 155 Q.—MR. B. RAMACHANDRA REDDI: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) how many L.M.Ps. have undergone sanitary training this year; how many of them have applied for the Municipal Health Officers' posts; how many of them have been selected; how many of the selected men have been appointed so far; and how the selection has been made, whether on merit or on seniority;

(b) the marks of individual candidates that have been selected and of those that have not been selected;

(c) the rules or regulations that guided the Government in this selection; and

(d) whether the principle of communal representation has been duly kept in mind and adhered to when the selection was made?

A.—(a) Thirteen Licensed Medical Practitioners underwent Second-class Health Officers' training in 1927-28 and all but one, who absented himself from the examination, passed. All the successful candidates applied for Second-class Health Officers' posts. Eight were appointed as Second-class Health Officers and the other four were appointed Health Inspectors. Selection for these posts was made solely according to the candidate's rank in the examination.

(b) A list<sup>a</sup> in order of merit of the twelve candidates who sat for the examination with the percentage of marks earned by them and the posts to which they were appointed is annexed.

(c) The appointment of Second-class Health Officers and Health Inspectors is made by the Director of Public Health and not by the Government.

(d) The question does not arise as the applications did not exceed the posts to be filled.